

## FORMAL COMMUNICATION

TO:

Regional Workforce Boards

**Regional Operators** 

**Indianapolis Private Industry Council** 

Directors of Operations for Northern & Southern Indiana

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Additional Clarification of IC 22-4.5-7-6, IC 22-4.5-7-7 and IC 22-4.5-7-8 Restrictions on Regional Workforce Board Members, Regional Operators and Service Providers

### Purpose

To provide additional clarification of restrictions surrounding relationships between Regional Workforce Board Members, Regional Operators and Service Providers. It is the intent of this bulletin to provide supplemental clarification and guidance to TAB 2007-08.

#### Content

### TAB 2007-08 states:

- 1. A Regional Workforce Board member <u>shall not</u> serve as a Regional Operator, Fiscal Agent, Service Provider, or provider of direct client services in ANY region of the state at the same time.
- 2. A Regional Operator may serve as a fiscal agent in any region of the state. A Regional Operator <u>shall not</u> serve as a Service Provider, Regional Workforce Board member, or provider of direct client services in ANY OTHER region of the state at the same time.

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3. A Service Provider <u>shall not</u> serve as a Regional Operator, Fiscal Agent, or Regional Workforce Board member in ANY OTHER region in the state at the same time.

Questions have been raised about whether a Regional Operator or Service Provider may operate in more than one Region at the same time.

The Department's interpretation of the above cited statute is as follows:

- A Regional Operator may serve as a Regional Operator in multiple Regions across the state. A Regional Operator shall not be a Service Provider in any Region of the state.
- A Service Provider may serve as a Service Provider in multiple Regions across the state.
  A Service Provider shall not be a Regional Operator or Fiscal Agent in any Region of the state.

# Effective Date

While the Department acknowledges that the statutes cited above are currently in effect and in force, the Department also acknowledges that this interpretative guidance has previously not been available to the system. As a result, there are some entities serving as Regional Operators and Service Providers simultaneously at present. Therefore, the Department is setting the effective date of this interpretative guidance as July 1, 2008 in order to allow adequate time for these entities to come in to compliance with the statutes and for PY2008 planning purposes.

Questions regarding this TAB should be directed to Amy Smith-Rubeck, Director, Policy Unit, at 317.233.6078 or by e-mail at <u>ARubeck@dwd.IN.gov</u>

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